## EXHIBIT A

PETOSA DECLARATION

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7	UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT					
8	DISTRICT OF NEVADA					
9	MELISSA HUTCHISON aka PHOENIX MARIE, an individual,	CASE NO. 2:24-cv-00673-GMN-BNW				
10	Plaintiff,	DECLARATION OF FRANK PETOSA IN SUPPORT OF MOTION TO DISMISS				
11	vs.	PLAINTIFF'S FIRST AMENDED COMPLAINT				
12	ETHICAL CAPITAL PARTNERS, a foreign					
13	entity; AYLO PREMIUM LTD, a foreign corporation; DM PRODUCTIONS, a foreign					
14	entity; DIGITAL PLAYGROUND, a foreign entity; MIND GEEK USA					
15	INCORPORATED, a foreign entity; MG PREMIUM LTD, a foreign entity; DM					
16	PRODUCTIONS, a foreign entity; DIGITAL PLAYGROUND, a foreign entity; DANNY					
17	MARTIN aka DANNY D, an individual; FRANK PETOSA an individual; RYAN					
18	HOGAN, an individual; MICHAEL					
19	WOODSIDE, an individual; and DOES 1 through 50,					
20	Defendants.					
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22	I, Frank Petosa, hereby declare as follows:					
23	1. I am named as a Defendant in th	e above-captioned action. Unless otherwise stated,				
24	I make this declaration of the following facts from my direct, personal knowledge, and would					
25	competently testify thereto if called as a witness.					
26	2. I have reviewed the First Amended Complaint ("FAC") in the instant action, and I					
27	am familiar with the allegations made therein.					
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3. I am 1	not, and never have been, an officer, executive, or employee of any of the other
Defendants named in	n this action. I have never had any involvement in the day-to-day activities of
any decision making	for any of the other Defendants named in this action. I am not, and never have
been, authorized to a	act on behalf of any of the other Defendants named in this action.

- 4. I am a resident of Quebec City, Canada. I have never resided in Nevada or anywhere else in the United States. I have never had a Nevada mailing address or phone number. I have never owned or leased any real estate or any other property in Nevada. I have never had any bank accounts in Nevada. I have never been required to pay any income or business taxes in the state of Nevada. I have never operated any businesses located in Nevada. I have never filed a lawsuit in Nevada.
- 5. Since 2019, I have visited Nevada only two or three times to attend the annual AVN Adult Entertainment Expo. None of these visits had anything to do with claims asserted in the FAC. I have not had any discussions with anyone in Nevada regarding the claims asserted in the FAC.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed this 1st day of July 2024.

/s/ Frank Petosa Frank Petosa